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**DIVISION OF OIL
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Dear Sir:

This letter is to review the present status of the reclamation of our mining lands around Cedar City. In 1984, Mr. Cox of your office inspected the reclamation areas that we graded and seeded in March 1981, which included the Comstock Alluvium, Great Western, Eclipse - Little Mormon - Twitchell Complex, Low Grades No. 100 and No. 3, Blackbird, Low Grade Stockpiles No. 14 and No. 15, Smith No. 5, Low Grade No. 18, and Walker Iron Placer areas. His report states that, of these areas, the Blackbird, Low Grade Stockpiles No. 14 and No. 15, Smith No. 5, Low Grade No. 18 and Walker Iron Placer areas did not, at that time, meet revegetation requirements. In addition there are two other areas, reclaimed in late 1981, that have not been inspected and several areas, including the Iron Springs plant site, the Coarse Tails Pile, the Comstock Plant area, and various roads that have yet to be reclaimed. We have not done any further work in the interim since we would like to include the remaining reclaimed areas - the Tailings Pond and the Zelma Claim - in any new program. It has now been three years since these latter areas were reclaimed, and we are now ready to inspect them.

The Iron Springs Plant site, the Comstock Plant site and some roads are still in active use and therefore not yet ready for reclamation. In particular, we are dismantling the Iron Springs Plant and considering other industrial uses for the site. There is still some mining activity in progress at the Comstock Plant site. Although we are not ready to start reclamation of these areas, we would like the opportunity to discuss requirements for them.

*Would you set
up the
meeting
w/ Mr. Mitchell
for you &
Stevenson
whoever is
appropriate?
Rm
5/14*

We would therefore like to arrange a meeting in early June on the mine site with yourself and Mr. Cox to inspect these areas. The purpose of the meeting is to arrange for the release of those areas that do meet your reclamation standards and to develop a suitable program to bring the non-compliance areas up to the required standards or to obtain variances for them. We can meet any day that suit you and I would appreciate your setting a date for the meeting. I suggest that any time between June 4th and June 7th would be best for us. May we hear from you accordingly?

Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. F. Metcalfe".

A. F. Metcalfe
Manager
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